



Clay County Board Minutes



COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, February 11, 2014 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met February 11, 2014 as per public notice given in the Clay County News on February 5, 2014 a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the County Clerk's Office. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting. Chairman Fintel presided with roll call showing the following present: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Minutes of the meeting held January 28, 2014 were mailed to the board members. All of the proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Chairman, Ivan Fintel stated that the open meeting law poster is posted on the west wall in the back of the room.

Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Shaw to approve the minutes of the meeting held January 28, 2014 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Shaw, Samuelson and Fintel; abstain: Johnson; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

There was no public comment.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent reported on snow removal and tree removal. The insulation work in the weed departments shop is finished. The weight limit signs have arrived and installation will begin soon.

Tom discussed the US Fish & Wildlife's restoration project on the White Front Wildlife Management Area. If the board approves the project, Tom will send them a letter detailing the county's expectations.

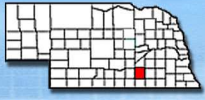
Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Shaw to approve the White Front Wildlife Management Area restoration project. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Shaw, Samuelson and Fintel; nay: Johnson and Anderson; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Schmidt to open the One & Six Year Road Plan public hearing at 9:15 A.M. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

Other agenda items were dealt with during the hearing time.

Advertising for new motor graders was discussed. Motion by Johnson and seconded by Samuelson to advertise for two motor graders; bids to be opened on March 18, 2014 at 9:15 A.M. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

Purchasing a new pickup for the road foreman was discussed. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Schmidt to advertise for a pickup for the road department; bids to be opened on March 18, 2014 at 9:45 A.M. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.



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Several office items were presented for declaration as surplus. The board agreed to put the items up for silent auction among employees. Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Samuelson to declare an Adler-Royal electric typewriter, a Smith Corona electric typewriter, an HP 750 color printer and an HP 2140 fax machine from the Road department as surplus. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Samuelson and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Johnson to approve the easement requested by Richard Kahman on behalf of Stephen Overturf for an electrical line across Road P from the NW ¼ Sec. 16 T5N-R6W to the NE ¼ Sec. 17 T5N-R6W to supply electricity to a pivot - agriculture use only. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Samuelson, Anderson and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Johnson to approve the easement requested by Jeremiah Ochsner for a natural gas line across Road 322 from the SW ¼ Sec. 14 T8N-R6W to the NW ¼ Sec. 23 T8N-R6W to supply fuel to an irrigation well - agriculture use only. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Anderson to approve the easement requested by Jeremiah Ochsner for a natural gas line across Road S from the SW ¼ Sec. 13 T8N-R6W to the SE ¼ Sec. 14 T8N-R6W to supply fuel to an irrigation well - agriculture use only. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

Tom went over the projects for the one year plan and the new additions to the overall plan. All of the bridges on the plan have bad pilings or the stringers are getting bad. All of the culverts have been ordered and will be paid out of this year's budget. A total of 28 projects were discussed.

There was no one else present during the hearing. There were no written or oral comments, suggestions or objections received.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Samuelson to close the One & Six Year Road Plan hearing at 10:10 A.M. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Johnson to approve the 1 & 6 Year Road plan as presented by Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent, and adopt Resolution #14-02. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Samuelson and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #14-02

WHEREAS: The Clay County Board of Supervisors met February 11, 2014, at 9:15 A.M. for a public hearing in the Clay County Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska to consider the County One and Six Year Road Plan, as prepared by Thomas Roemmich II,



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WHEREAS: No public interest and/or suggestions were heard at the public hearing on February 11, 2014, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Clay County Board of Supervisors, that the One and Six Year Road Plan as prepared and presented by Thomas Roemmich II, Clay County Highway Superintendent, is hereby adopted.

Passed and approved this 11th day of February, 2014.

ATTEST: /s/ Deborah Karnatz, County Clerk

CLAY COUNTY: /s/ Ivan Fintel, Board Chairman

Ted Griess, County Attorney discussed the request for law enforcement jurisdiction changes. He hasn't received a lot of feed back but said it doesn't sound like there has been much negative discussion. Ted told the board he doesn't think it will hurt to send a letter of support but suggested a letter also be sent to the Governor voicing the county's concerns. A vacancy on the Veteran's Service Committee was discussed. Ted suggested contacting Jack Cox the Veterans Services Officer and having him contact the veterans organizations in Sutton to get names of three possible candidates. The inquiry about burial in the Spring Ranch Cemetery was discussed. Ted feels the cemetery would fall under the classification of abandonment since there is no longer a cemetery association or funds for the care and upkeep of the cemetery and the county has been paying for the upkeep for quite a few years. He feels that once it has been abandoned it can't be used. He will notify the party making the inquiry.

Jim Morgan, South Heartland District Health Department discussed the results of the radon testing at the courthouse and handed out information concerning radon. After discussion, it was decided to look into the repair of the basement walls and then possibly have the areas tested again after the repairs have been made.

Supervisor Fintel told the board that he had talked to Supervisor Nuss about the carpet installation in the area of the school house that will be occupied by county offices. Two bids were received. They had decided to tell the Paint & Paper Palace to proceed.

The fee reports were circulated for review. Motion by Anderson and seconded by Johnson to accept the fee reports for the following county officials for the month of January 2014: County Clerk, \$10,473.85, County Court \$8,665.84, Clerk of District Court, \$42,424.07, County Sheriff for the month of December 2013 \$2,882.38 and County Treasurer receipts #14010001 thru #14010034 in the amount of \$590,932.73. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Samuelson, Anderson and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

The Explorer was discussed. Since it is no longer needed by the county, it was decided to declare it as surplus and take it to the auction. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Schmidt to declare the Sheriff department's 2000 Ford Explorer as surplus. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

Jocelyn and Tanya Hofmann met with the board to request the termination of the lease that Kevin Hofmann had with the county. The consensus of the board was that there



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would not be any problem with terminating the lease. The board will check with NRCS and the county attorney and get back them as soon as they can.

Information from Wellness Partners LLC offering to do a complete Health Fair for the county was discussed. It states there will be no out of pocket costs to either the County, or its employees and spouses for this Program. The consensus of the board was to go forward with this.

The NIRMA letter concerning LB881 was acknowledged as was the letter from the State of Nebraska Emergency Management Agency concerning LEOP revisions.

Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Johnson to adjourn this meeting at 12:20 P.M.; next meeting scheduled for February 18, 2014. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

Deb Karnatz, County Clerk

Ivan Fintel, Chairman